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**WARNING TO WOULD-BE INVESTORS  
IN SOUTHERN COUNTRIES.**

**LOST.**

LOST—A white crepe shawl on 16th st., College av. and Illinois st. Reward East New York st.

which was really wild coffee that

Angles Times. Is it a safe investment? Is it the question that is going the rounds today. "Shall I put my money in rubland in Mexico?" "How about banana-planting in Costa Rica?" "Will truck gar-

...pay in Panama. Do you know what a banana is anything in raising oranges in to Rico?" "Is banana culture in Jamaica good thing?" These are samples of hundreds of inquiries the American consuls in various tropical countries are being beset with. The man who knows nothing about this form of investment, however, is not alone in his ignorance. The great drawback to diplomatic efforts in general is the lack of a protection of property interests. Of Porto Rico and Cuba are quite sure because the American flag is in the land and the Platt amendment is a promise in the latter. And the likelihood of trouble in Mexico. The

who starts out to investigate for him. He is soon bewildered by a mass of conflicting opinion. In the morning you meet the fellow who tropical land to sell. You know he is a meter and naturally zealous in the cause of exploiting, but his argument sounds so sensible that you begin to wonder if you

have been neglecting the chance to get rich quick. He points a short cut to wealth, and you finger your money and hesitates. In the afternoon you call on the government representative. He does not bellow with enthusiasm. Neither does he produce against the venture. He says a deal in a pleasant way, but on the

is rather noncommittal. You get wondering. In the evening you meet another fellow who has a lot of detrimental things to say about tropical agricultural schemes in general. He does a real good job of what is vulgarly but expressively called "planting the seed of doubt"—doubt and lack of opinion—reduces you to your original state of doubt, and you wonder.

to be bed without writing the promised letter. In many instances he will have made a very unprofitable investment. Whether or not it is a good thing to reflect upon it.

**REFLECT UPON IT.**

After you have time to think it over you will draw conclusions of your own. You ask yourself: "If this land is likely to yield several hundred per cent. profit on the investment, is it not a good thing to reflect upon it?"

It is a land large enough to influence the government or strong enough to defend itself, like the United Fruit Company, which has nearly all the banana business in Central America and the West Indies. It will get along all right. But the country is against the small speculator.

ment, why do the men who own it  
to sell it?" "If it is such a good thing  
is it being peddled around in small  
ones, when any capitalist would be glad  
chance to invest his means where such  
return is probable?" You wonder why  
had not thought of this before, and  
take up your mind to ask the promoter

it. He says he had not got the money developed properly, and as a consequence preferred to dispose of a certain portion of it in this way. "I get a part of the money as the professional money lender would, but I have any chances because the field of investment is too far away, and the conditions surrounding it too uncertain for my risk."

It is the truth. There are many trop-

promoters who had put every dollar down and every cent they could get into the venture. The promoters had failed to secure money from the banks, as they expected they would be able to do as soon as they made a start, have been forced to turn to the public for help in order to keep afloat. It takes a great deal of money to develop a tropical plantation. A whole lot of money has got to go in

**REASON FOR IT.** The reason why the professional money lender and the rubber man cannot get together is this: While the business of proving it may be one of great promise, it is in an experimental state and the experienced capitalist never likes to have other people's hands in his business.

A great effort is being made to organize the women of Chicago (S. C.) to women, the representative of the city and State using their endeavor in behalf of the idea. As the women of Chicago are so numerous that the entrance of women "upon the spirit and tone of robust man."

Commenting on this ungenerous view of women, the writer says:

not contain any such items, to expel the rubber. If the business had advanced the stage where it was profitable there would be some evidences of it in the market. There is no disposition on the part of any one to discourage worthy endeavor along these lines, but the enterprise, by many of these men, in the face of the pessimistic anticipation, have become too

ing in their claims. Some of them are reaping impossible profits to small groups of investors, and a large number are going into it believing that it is a thing while it is merely an experiment. It may be a promising experiment, but it is not an experiment, and things will be called by their right name.

**KEEP ON SAFE SIDE.**

It is always a safe rule to go slow on any

The following story of the Popovs' family life is most popular, even among the Italians. He has some nephews in America, but it is somewhat difficult to find them. The wife of one of these nephews is said to have undertaken to get some money for him. She solicited an interview, a

to seek your advice. I am poor, large family, and alas! I am in need. I have been gifted by heaven with a talent, and I am not going to let it go to waste. I have offered me a large salary to appear on stage and sing a few simple songs. I to accept the offer?" "Certainly," said the king, "and I will regard you as my official position will not allow me to present at your debut."

despoiling the public on the pretense that it is a bonanza now yielding riches to investors. No honest operator who is engaged in business on a square can take any advantage of the public's ignorance and dishonesty. The only way to get the best of the public is to be honest. In any line of development, at any time, the operator who imitates the dishonesty of the public and operates on a legitimate concern will be outwitted by the honesty and resourcefulness of the public.

of the gentry while by preying on the public it is hard to tell whether the sheep from the tropics are the tropical swindlers in showing a party of prospective buyers of land over a plantation to produce specimens of products of the soil. The ex-employee of one plantation told me it was the regular practice of his employers to exhibit coffee which they claimed was from the tropics.

have turned on the land themselves, but have seemed,